

## REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for their detailed review of the application. Applicants have amended claims 26, 40, 41, and 54.

Copies of all documents cited in the information disclosure statement filed on March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2005, are being provided to comply with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2), and applicants respectfully request that Examiner considers the information therein.

The Office Action requested that applicants add a "Brief Summary of the Invention" description to the application under 37 CFR 1.77(b). However, applicants would like to kindly point out that both the MPEP 608.01(d) and 37 C.F.R. §1.73 do not require the presence of a "Brief Summary of the Invention." They merely indicate where in the application the "Brief Summary of the Invention" should be placed if applicants choose to add one. 37 C.F.R. §1.73 only states that a "Summary of the Invention" should or may be included, as illustrated by the conditional language: "Such summary should, **when set forth...**" (37 C.F.R. §1.73). It does not state "must" or "shall." Accordingly, applicants have elected not to include a "Summary of the Invention" as this is within the discretion and right of the applicants.

Applicants have amended the specification at page 8, paragraph **0024** to include reference to bus 115, as depicted by Figure 1. Applicant respectfully notes that reference to bus 115 is not new matter, as bus 115 is illustrated in the same fashion as bus 150, referred in original paragraph 0024.


Examiner rejected claims 40-44 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Accordingly, applicants have amended claim 40 to eliminate the second reference to generation of "a first SMI" by the first processor. Therefore, applicants respectfully submit that claim 40 and its dependent claims 41-44 are now definite and in condition for allowance.

Therefore, applicant respectfully submits that claims 1 - 61 are now in condition for allowance.

If there are any additional charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666. If a telephone interview would in any way expedite the prosecution of the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact David P. McAbee at (408) 765-5544.

Respectfully submitted,  
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